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Sir:

Applicants thank Examiner White for the telephonic interview of August 15, 2011, which clarified the communication mailed from the Office August 4, 2011. Applicants elect to re-open prosecution under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 to address the new ground of rejection raised in the Examiner's Answer mailed July 7, 2011.

This response is considered timely as it is being filed within two-months of the Examiner's Answer containing the new ground for rejection. As such, no fee is required. However, if a fee is required, please charge to Deposit Account No. 22-0261.

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